Reduction in Staff in various benches of Settlement Commission

6487. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Staff Inspection Unit of his Ministry has recommended certain reduction in the existing staff strength of various benches of the Settlement Commission (Income Tax and Wealth Tax) sometime after 1st January, 1991;

(b) if so, post-wise/bench-wise details in respect of reductions recommended alongwith the date of submission of report;

(c) whether instead of implementation of these recommendations of this unit of his own Ministry, the Ministry had already approved or going to approve a proposal for opening of additional benches of the Commission; if so, the detailed reasons;

(d) what are specific reasons for not implementing the recommendations; and

(e) by when these are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The reduction suggested by SIU in their report dated 29.4.92 is given in the enclosed statement (*see* below).

(c) to (e) The recommendations of SIU have been implemented by not continuing the posts found surplus. This, however, does not rule out any reconsideration on the basis of logical requirement of the Commission. Though no decision has been taken for creation of an Additional Bench, the same has no relation with the SIU report, which is with regard to the staffing requirements of the existing Benches.

Statement

Statement showing the Post-wise/bench-wise details in respect of reductions recommended

	Name of Bench	Designaltion of the post	No. of post
1	2	3	4
1.	Principal Bench Delhi	1. Stenographer Grade II	2
		2. Technical Assistant	2
		3. U.D.C.	2
		4. L.D.C.	2
		5. Library Assistant	1
		6. Noticle Server	1
		7. Chowkidar	2
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2.	Additional Bench, Bombay	1. Stenographer Grade I	1
		2. Stenographer Grade II	2
		3. Enquiry Officer	2
		4. Technical Assistant	1
		5. Assistant	1
		6. U.D.C.	1
		7. L.D.C.	2
		8. Head Clerk	1
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1	2	3	4
3.	Additional Bench, Calcutta	1. Stenographer Grade II	2
		2. Head Clerk	1
		3. Technical Assistant	1
		4. Assistant	1
		5. U.D.C.	1
		6. L.D.C.	1
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4.	Additional Bench, Madras	1. Stenographer Grade II	2
		2. Technical Assistant	2
		3. Assistant	1
		4. L.D.C.	2
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Officials of Settlement Commission

6488. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALVIYA: Will the Minsiter of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware that the Chairman/Members of Settlement Commission (Income Tax and Wealth Tax), New Delhi, frequently remain away from their work either on leave or on tour; if so the details;

(b) whether such an action adversely affects the working of the Commission resulting pendency of applications, thereby loss of revenue;

(c) what are the details of leave taken/ tours performed by each of the Chairman/Vice-Chairman/Members of Principal Bench and additional benches of Settlement Commission (Income Tax and Wealth Tax) during the year 1993-94 along with the expenditure incurred on each of the tour; and;

(d) what remedial steps Government propose to take to have a check on such tours of Chairman/Vice-Chairman/ Members of these benches?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) to (d) Details showing the period spent by various Members etc. of the Settlement Commission (Income-tax/ Wealth Tax) on leave/tour and expenditure incurred on tours are given in the statement (*see* below). Tours are undertaken in connection with exigencies of work and leave is availed of under the leave rules in force, keeping in view the interest of work as well.

Statement

Statement showing period spent by various Members of the Settlement Commission as well as expenditure incurred on such tours

1	Name of the Bench	Designation of the posts	Period spent on leave (excluding C.L. and R.H.)
	2	3	4
1.	Principal Bench, New Delhi	1. Chairman	Nil
		2. Member-I	44 days
		3. Member-II	56 days
		4. Member-III	21 days
2.	Additional Bench, Bombay	1. Vice-Chairman	Nil
		2. Member-I	Nil
		3. Member-II	Nil